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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Trip Report 9-12 April to West Coast
by [redacted]

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1. The undersigned visited Palmdale and [redacted] in an attempt to determine what the forecast total package cost will accrue to OSA for the period 1 May through 10 August for the [redacted] deployment. The following subjects (para 2) are germane to this movement and a summary of costs will be given in paragraph 3.

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2. Discussion points:

a. The taxiways and runways at Palmdale will be in the process of being resurfaced with an additional 14 inches of concrete during the period 26 April through 1 June. This will be a hazardous situation and means must be devised to move the aircraft through this area. A [redacted] suggested mode would be to remove one pogo and have three men sit on the opposite wing tip since the taxiways are not wide enough for both pogos to use.

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b. The question arose as to whether a C and a R type aircraft can be parked next to each other. Note was made that this is a present OSA restriction and also that it is a common occurrence at Davis Monthan to have them parked side by side. Recommend Headquarters Security solve this problem.

c. Fuel - JP-4 and LF-1 fuel will be provided through the normal credit card system. 100-130 octane for the U-3 will be charged to the LAC account but this should be

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infrequent since the aircraft will make three round trips to Edwards daily and scheduling could be such that it will refuel at Edwards.

d. Gasoline for automobiles will be provided from a local pump and gallons used will be logged on the form provided. This will be charged to the LAC account. It is not forecast to be a significant amount.

e. Maintenance for the Trailer Area - This consists of about 1/2 man and will be charged to the LAC account. This is forecast to be about \$500 a month which is cost without G&A and overhead. Other maintenance and housekeeping costs will be part of the overhead and not charged to OSA.

f. The latrine in the hangar will be useable, hence no commercial potties are required.

g. The trailers do need rehabilitation and they are in the process of doing this. It seems that the ceiling, floor and walls have been exposed to moisture with the inherent rotting and discoloration. The center section of the tri-trailer group collapsed enroute and is demolished to the point of being unuseable. This trailer was returned to Edwards.

h. The gate guard force must, of necessity, be LAC union people and there is no charge for these since they will be included in the company overhead. There is a requirement for a roving patrol during off-duty hours. There are several suggestions as to how to satisfy this requirement without hiring LAC guards. The most logical seems to be one that will use two present guards from Edwards and call them duty officers and have them stay in the trailer during off-duty hours. This would satisfy the union probelm. Action for this item is up to Headquarters and LAC Security persons. Note: Costs for the guards during the TDY would approximate \$15,000. (See para 3 for details)

i. There are no costs for utilities. These are included in overhead. The only direct cost will be for modification of electric and water lines and for restoring the area to its original condition after we leave.

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j. Flying is authorized at the airdrome between 7:00 a.m. and dusk. If you schedule a take-off or landing prior to 7:00 then you must advise the Base so that they can have the crash crews and tower people on duty. There is an overtime charge for this service.

k. Action has been given to install the telephones. A breakout of these charges is in paragraph 3.

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l. [redacted] plans to use the FAK for Phase II type deployment for supplies. [redacted] offered to use his vehicles for carrying support supplies from Burbank [redacted] if required since he makes a daily trip.

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m. LAC persons now under contract to OSA will not receive any additional stipend during the move to Palmdale. They will remain on their normal per diem.

n. The question of installation of an arresting barrier for carrier training was discussed but they were advised that the D/SA had made a decision not to engage in this type of training during TDY.

3. The following costs were identified as accrued to LAC under Contract LK-3606.

a. Modification of area to include electric and water lines to the trailer.. \$2500

b. Restoration of the area to original condition after redeployment. \$600

c. Installation of telephones. \$1000

d. Costs for telephone service for three months. \$3000

e. Janitorial services for three months. \$1500.

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25X1A Note: Headquarters Security and [redacted] Security people are engaged in discussing alternate proposals.

g. Fuel for automobiles. \$300

h. Fuel for Cessna is negligible.

25X1A i. LOX - The cost of this is unknown but it would be prudent to use the LOX purchased from [redacted] by IAC and get a direct charge for this item. Suggest D/M issue a retraction of the restriction they have imposed.

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k. The following forecast costs will accrue for CIA funding:

25X1A 1) Vicinity Travel - All military persons living on Edwards are authorized to travel daily at 10¢ a mile with their own vehicle to Palmdale. This is an 80 mile round trip. Suggestions will be made that they engage in car pooling but it should be noted that this cannot be enforced. The present forecast is about \$5,000 reached by multiplying 8 cars times 80 miles times 75 days. This is the [redacted] estimate but I personally suggest a greater reserve be made since it will be most difficult to convince the people they are not to use their own vehicles. The old "Bird in the hand and dollar in the pocket" adage will probably apply.

2) Per diem is forecast for two persons remaining on the site two nights a week for 12 weeks. \$600

3) Transportation of trailers was \$2,000 but there may be a slight reduction since one collapsed.

4) Rehabilitation of the trailers was forecast at \$4950 but again since the one section collapsed it is now forecast to be \$4000.

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5) Commo equipment required for the loud speaker system is now reduced to \$200 for amplifiers, speakers and microphones.

6) The total forecast cost for CIA funding is \$12,000. It is suggested that B&F earmark an additional \$10,000 for vicinity travel for this period.

4. During the visit to IAC the following were subjects of discussion:

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a. It was suggested that the [redacted] Project move the five trailers and other equipment presently being stored at [redacted]. Suggest OPS take action on this item.

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b. It was suggested that during the rehabilitation of the runway that 500 feet extension on either end be sterilized to accept T-33 and other aircraft on abort takeoffs. [redacted] was advised to call the contractor to see if this could be done during the period and to identify the costs, and advise Headquarters immediately for the purpose of earmarking funds since the construction dollars remaining are at basic minimum.

c. Mention was made of the fact that the hangar may have a higher price tag than was envisioned since the bids have not been received yet. They were advised that construction funds were almost non-existent and that they should advise Headquarters prior to certifying any contractual agreement in excess of the actual/estimate.

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